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1. Amendment and Response to Restriction/Election Requirement (2 pages);
2. Appendix A (1 page);
3. Appendix B (2 pages);
4. Petition for One-Month Extension of Time (1 page); and
5. Return Postcard

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Applicant respectfully requests entrance of the present Amendment into the
above-referenced case:

In the claims

Please amend claim 22 as indicated in the attached Appendix A ("Version With Markings
to Show Changes Made"). A copy of the amended claim, in the form it will take after entrance
of this Amendment, is presented below:

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22. The method of claim 1, where the accumulated selenium is in the form of Se-
methylselenocysteine.

Furthermore, in response to the January 8, 2002 Restriction Requirement in the above-
identified application, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-7, 9, 22 and 48, drawn to "a method
for producing a plant with significant concentration of selenium in the edible portions, wherein
the plant is incorporated into a processed food".